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State disciplines health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has taken disciplinary actions or withdrawn charges against health care providers in our state.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Office works with boards, commissions, and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency website. Click on "Provider Credential Search" on the left hand side of the [Department of Health home page](http://www.doh.wa.gov) (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Benton County

In June 2010 the Dental Commission reinstated the registration of dental assistant **Esther Almaguer** (D160072724) and imposed conditions against her registration. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

In June 2010 the Board of Pharmacy charged pharmacist **Jason L. Schick** (PH00022176) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly failed to comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

Franklin County

In June 2010 the Board of Optometry terminated the order of probation against **Kelly J. Cochrane** (OD00001536).

Grays Harbor County

In June 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional trainee **Jessica M. Vessey** (CO60157906) and placed conditions against her certification. In November 2007 conditions were set against her credential to practice as a registered counselor. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her new certification.

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King County

In June 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional trainee **Iris S. Brown** (CO60148478) and placed her certification on probation for two years. She was convicted of possession of cocaine on more than one occasion, two counts of forgery, attempted violation of the uniform controlled substance act — possession of cocaine, robbery, attempt to elude, escape, and theft. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her certification.

In June 2010 the Dental Commission released dentist **David G. Myaskovsky** (DE00007078) from terms and conditions set against his license.

In June 2010 the Counselor Program granted the application of agency affiliated counselor **Kim Hunter Norward, Sr** (CG60145889) and placed his registration on probation for three years. He was convicted of conspiracy to deliver cocaine. He must comply with terms and conditions set against his registration.

In June 2010 the Counselor Program granted the application of agency affiliated registered counselor **Elena I. Samuels** (CG60150539) and placed her registration on probation for 18 months. She was convicted of theft and must comply with terms and conditions set against her registration.

In June 2010 the Dental Commission released dentist **William M. Sutton** (DE00004138) from terms and conditions set against his license.

Kitsap County

In June 2010 the Board of Pharmacy charged pharmacist **Matthew William Legan** (PH60045443) with unprofessional conduct. He allegedly failed to comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

In June 2010 the Board of Physical Therapy terminated the order of probation against physical therapist assistant **Derick W. Moody** (P160045527).

In June 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional trainee **Krissy M. Murphy** (CO60151888) and placed her certification on probation until September 2011. In September 2009 her credential to practice as a registered counselor was placed on probation. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her new certification.

Lewis County

In May 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program denied the application of **Tesa Marie Masters** (CO60142619) to become a chemical dependency professional trainee. She was convicted of possession of methamphetamine.

Pierce County

In June 2010 the Registered Counselor Program terminated the order of probation against **Kim J. Lake** (RC00057164).

Skagit County

In June 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional trainee **Shayla Jeanette Driskell** (CO60149304) and placed her certification on probation for two years. Her credential to practice as a registered counselor was subject to terms and conditions. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her new certification.

Skamania County

In June 2010 the Dental Commission released dentist **Lynn C. Whitley** (DE00009816) from terms and conditions set against her license.

Snohomish County

In June 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program terminated the order of probation against certified nursing assistant **Rebecka J. Espinoza** (NA60071593, NC60071281).

In June 2010 the Chiropractic Commission terminated the order of probation against **Stephanie A. Greenall** (CH00002657).

In June 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional trainee **Melody J. Poe** (CO60153654) and placed her certification on probation for three years. Her credential to practice as a registered counselor was also placed on probation. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her new certification.

Spokane County

In June 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional trainee **Doddie Ann Moore** (CO60154019) and placed conditions against her certification. In November 2008 terms and conditions were placed against her credential to practice as a registered counselor. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her new certification.

In June 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional trainee **Tonya Mortimer** (CO60149054) and placed her certification on probation for five years. In April 2008 terms and conditions were placed against her credential to practice as a registered counselor. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her new certification.

In June 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional trainee **Kimberly R. Puntney** (CO60151988) and placed conditions against her certification. In October 2008 terms and conditions were placed against her credential to practice as a registered counselor. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her new certification.

Whitman County

In June 2010 the Dental Commission reinstated the license of dentist **Alfred M. Fairbanks** (DE00004076).

Yakima County

In June 2010 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program granted the application of chemical dependency professional trainee **Michelle R. Graham** (CO60156856) and placed her certification on probation until March 2011. In March 2008 her credential to practice as a registered counselor was placed on probation. She must comply with terms and conditions set against her new certification.

Out of State

Oregon: In May 2010 the Acupuncture Program denied the application of **Terence F. McCormick** (AC60119673). He was convicted of driving a motor vehicle with an alcohol concentration of .20 or more, falsifying business records, and driving under the influence of intoxicants.

Oregon: In June 2010 the Nursing Commission charged registered nurse **Susan I. Pryce** (RN00074680) with unprofessional conduct. She allegedly failed to comply with terms and conditions set against her license.

Note to Editors: Health care providers charged with unprofessional conduct have 20 days to respond to the Department of Health in writing. The case then enters the settlement process. If no disciplinary agreement can be reached, the case will go to a hearing.

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